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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR ISSUE IN UN

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1. TEXT OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 418 ESTABLISHING
ARMS EMBARGO ON SOUTH AFRICA (PROMISED IN PARA 3 A
REFTEL) IS CONTAINED IN USUN TELEGRAMS 4295 AND 4326.
USUN 4295 CONTAINS THE FINAL VERSION OF THE PREAMBULAR
PARAGRAPHS OF 418. USUN 4236 CONTAINS IN PARA 7 THE
OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS OF THE RESOLUTION.

2. TEXT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 32/81 IS AS
FOLLOWS:

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

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RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 31/70 OF 10 DECEMBER 1976, IN
WHICH IT REITERATED ITS CONVICTION THAT THE ESTABLISH-
MENT OF NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONES COULD MAKE A GREAT
CONTRIBUTION TO THE SECURITY OF STATES IN SUCH ZONES
AND TO THE PREVENTION OF PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR
WEAPONS,

BEARING IN MIND THE DECLARATION ON THE DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA ADOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AT ITS FIRST ORDINARY SESSION, HELD AT CAIRO FROM 17 TO 21 JULY 1964,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 1652 (XVI) OF 24 NOVEMBER 1961, 2033 (XX) OF 3 DECEMBER 1965, 3261 E (XXIX) OF 9 DECEMBER 1974, 3471 (XXX) OF 11 DECEMBER 1975 AND 31/69 OF 10 DECEMBER 1976, IN WHICH IT CALLED UPON ALL STATES TO CONSIDER AND RESPECT THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA, INCLUDING THE CONTINENTAL AFRICAN STATES, MADAGASCAR AND OTHER ISLANDS SURROUNDING AFRICA, AS A NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE,

ALSO RECALLING THAT, IN ITS RESOLUTION 31/69 OF 10 DECEMBER 1976, IT DREW ATTENTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE NUCLEAR-WEAPON POTENTIAL OF SOUTH AFRICA,

TAKING NOTE OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 418 (1977) OF 4 NOVEMBER 1977,

GRAVELY CONCERNED THAT SOUTH AFRICA MAY DETONATE A NUCLEAR EXPLOSION AND ACQUIRE A NUCLEAR-WEAPON CAPABILITY,

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CONVINCED THAT SUCH A DEVELOPMENT WOULD CONSTITUTE A GRAVE DANGER TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY AND WOULD FRUSTRATE EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH AFRICA AS A NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE,

REAFFIRMING THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE SECURITY OF ALL AFRICAN STATES AND TO THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY,

1. STRONGLY REITERATES ITS CALL UPON ALL STATES TO CONSIDER AND RESPECT THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA, INCLUDING THE CONTINENTAL AFRICAN STATES, MADAGASCAR AND OTHER ISLANDS SURROUNDING AFRICA, AS A NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE;
2. CONDEMNS ANY ATTEMPT BY SOUTH AFRICA TO INTRODUCE NUCLEAR WEAPONS INTO THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA;
3. DEMANDS THAT SOUTH AFRICA REFRAIN FORTHWITH FROM CONDUCTING ANY NUCLEAR EXPLOSION ON THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA OR ELSEWHERE;

4. URGENTLY REQUESTS THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO TAKE APPROPRIATE EFFECTIVE STEPS TO PREVENT SOUTH AFRICA FROM DEVELOPING AND ACQUIRING NUCLEAR WEAPONS, THEREBY ENDANGERING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY;

5. APPEALS TO ALL STATES TO REFRAIN FROM SUCH CO-OPERATION WITH SOUTH AFRICA IN THE NUCLEAR FIELD AS WILL ENABLE THE RACIST REGIME TO ACQUIRE NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND TO DISSUADE CORPORATIONS, INSTITUTIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTION FROM ANY SUCH COOPERATION;

6. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO RENDER ALL UNCLASSIFIED

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NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY TOWARDS THE REALIZATION OF ITS SOLEMN DECLARATION ON THE DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA;

7. DECIDES TO INCLUDE IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF ITS THIRTY-THIRD SESSION THE ITEM ENTITLED "IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA." VANCE

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